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DATE: 9 March 1965

FROM : Mr. Warner

SUBJECT: Foreign Service Act Amendments

I talked with Emmett Echols of Personnel who has assigned to a team analysis of the Foreign Service Act amendments. Also talked with DD/P who have suggested that participate. As soon as you are ready, I would like to discuss this with you and establish an initial meeting.

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2 March 1965

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Karamessines

**SUBJECT: Meeting with Harvey Wellman,
Department of State**

1. By appointment I called on Mr. Harvey R. Wellman, Director of Personnel of the Department of State, in his office at 3:00 PM today. My purpose in calling on him was to discuss certain proposed amendments to the Foreign Service Act involving FSR tenure which have been submitted to the State Subcommittee of the House Foreign Affairs Committee whose Chairman is Wayne L. Hays (Democrat of Ohio). Both Mr. Helms and Mr. Karamessines have been keeping tabs on the progress of this proposed legislation (as it relates to FSR tenure only) and have been in contact with Messrs. William Crockett and Dwight Porter of the Department of State. It was the latter who suggested Mr. Wellman as an additional point of contact in this matter.

2. Shortly after my arrival, Mr. Wellman asked a Mr. William E. Woodyear to join us. Woodyear is a Personnel Management Specialist (Legislation) and is intimately acquainted with all details of the draft amendments and the narratives supporting each. The legislative package is a big one (i. e. , it contains a great many amendments other than changes in Sec. 522 which is my narrow interest). Upon my request, Mr. Woodyear was kind enough to let me have drafts of all proposed amendments together with supporting data which I am sending to Mr. Houston's office for review. In addition to the FSR matter, there may well be other items contained therein of broader interest to the Agency such as the proposed amendments to Foreign Service Retirement and Disability System, including changes in the Selection Out Process, etc.

3. Mr. Wellman informed me that Mr. Crockett had already appeared before the Hays Committee on one occasion and had been

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very well received. He is scheduled to appear again shortly. In the meantime the Civil Service Commission has been examining the proposals. A meeting with the Civil Service Commission, Bureau of the Budget and State is in prospect. Wellman feels it is possible that the Bureau of the Budget may question the propriety of the proposed amendment granting the Secretary the privilege of appointing FSRs without time limitation as well as that provision pertaining to FSRs of limited tenure whereby existing limitation on reappointments would be removed.

4. Having reaffirmed to Mr. Wellman, CIA's special interest in obtaining liberalization of the FSR status and willingness to assist State in achieving these objectives, Mr. Wellman indicated that the Department might possibly have to call upon us if it encountered difficulties at the Bureau of the Budget. I assured him that this Agency was ready to take any appropriate and reasonable action to assist the Department in its efforts to improve FSR tenure.

5. In parting, I observed that since Mr. Crockett appeared to be the Department's sponsor and "manager" of the proposed legislation, perhaps CIA should look to Mr. Crockett for any signal for assistance. Mr. Wellman agreed. Mr. Woodyear asked that if our lawyers had any comments or suggestions to make after reviewing the draft legislation State would be glad to receive them.



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